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APARTMENTS GOING UP IN TIRANA -- Tirana, Bashkimi, 19 Aug 50

Work has begun on five huge blocks of apartments for workers in Tirana. The first three blocks, which will contain 50, 46, and 65 apartments respectively, are for the Muhamet Gjolllesha Enterprise. The two others are being built for certain Army units. Altogether the five blocks will have 330 equipped apartments.

The first three blocks are being built on Boulevard Shqiperija e Re, the others on Kongresi i Permetit (Durrës) Road.

Each building will have four floors and a basement. Each apartment will have at least two rooms, a kitchen, a bath, a pantry, and a small hall. Some apartments will be larger, with three or four rooms. There will be a clothes washer in the basement for every 12 or 13 families.

These five blocks will house 328 families. The apartments are equipped with all necessities, and water and lighting are installed.

The foundations will be of stone and the walls of brick. The central supports will be of reinforced concrete. The floors will be colored blocks and the roof will be tiled.

Excavations have begun for the basements of four of the blocks, and the foundations have been started. The four blocks are expected to cost 115 million lek.

The first three buildings will have an area of 12,970 square meters, the other two 14,100 square meters.

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